

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-6, 8-11, 13-16, and 18-26 are pending in the present application. Claims 23-26 are added. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 11, 13, 14, 16, 21, and 22 are amended. Claims 1, 11, and 21 are amended to provide proper antecedent basis and to recite "creating, at a server, a component control file which defines enablement components needed to run applications from the server assigned to a user on a client and actions to be performed to install the enablement components, wherein the enablement components comprise required changes to an operating system of the client; creating, at the server, an installation control file which lists the applications that have been assigned to the user and the enablement components from the component control file which must be installed in order to execute the applications that have been assigned to the user on the client; determining, at the client, if the enablement components for applications listed in the installation control file are currently installed on the client; and if the enablement components for the applications listed in the installation control file are not currently installed on the client, installing, at the client, the enablement components for the applications listed in the installation control file on the client." These features are supported at least on page 11, lines 29-31 and page 20, lines 5-10 of the current specification.

Claims 3 and 13 are amended to incorporate the features of original claims 4 and 14. Claims 4 and 14 are amended to recite "if the enablement components for the applications listed in the installation control file are currently installed on the client, determining if versions of the enablement components for the applications listed in the installation control file are later than versions of the enablement components currently installed on the client; and if versions of the enablement components for the applications listed in the installation control file are later than versions of the enablement components currently installed on the client, installing the enablement components for the applications listed in the installation control file on the client." These features are supported at least on page 21, lines 21-30 of the current specification.

Claims 6, 16, and 22 are amended to recite "responsive to a request for updating a client, reading, at a client, a user's installation control file from a server which contains a

list of enablement components needed to run a set of applications from the server that have been assigned to the user of a client; determining, at the client, if each of the list of enablement components is installed on the client; and changing, at the client, an operating system of the client to install each of the list of enablement components that is not installed on the client." These features are supported at least on page 11, lines 29-31 and page 20, lines 5-10 and in Figure 5 of the current specification.

Claims 23 and 25 are added to recite "wherein the required changes to an operating system of the client include an application name assigned to the user, information files required to be installed on the client, registry files required to be installed on the client, directories required to be copied to the client, files required to be copied to the client, and commands required to be run on the client." These features are supported at least on page 13, line 8 to page 17, line 2 of the current specification.

Claims 24 and 26 are added to recite "wherein the step of changing an operating system of the client comprises: installing required information files on the client; installing required information files on the client; installing required registry files on the client; copying required directories to the client; copying required files to the client; and running required comments on the client." These features are supported at least on page 13, line 8 to page 17, line 2 of the current specification.

No new matter is added as a result of the above amendments. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

I. Telephone Interview Summary

A telephone interview was conducted on August 15, 2005 with Examiner Barot with regard to features of independent claims 1 and 6. The Examiner indicated that based on the proposed amendments to the claims, rejection of claims 1, 6, 11, 16, 21, and 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph should be overcome. In addition, Applicants' representative submitted that Wilde fails to teach the determining and installing steps in a manner as recited in claims 1 and 6. The Examiner indicated that the proposed amendments made to independent claims 1 and 6 potentially overcome the Wilde reference, but further search and consideration is required before an agreement can be reached with the Applicants' representative.